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C O N F I D E N T I A L MONROVIA 1988

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SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FOR PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE OF  
CONGRATULATIONS TO HEADS OF STATE OF LIBERIA, GUINEA,  
SENEGAL, IVORY COAST, THE GAMBIA AND TOGO

REF: MONROVIA 1956

1. AS REPORTED (REFTEL), THE RECONCILIATION SUMMIT AMONG  
IVORY COAST, THE GAMBIA, GUINEA, LIBERIA, SENEGAL AND TOGO  
WENT EXCEEDINGLY WELL. CREDIT MUST BE SHARED EQUALLY BY  
THE THREE MAIN PARTICIPANTS--GUINEA, SENEGAL AND IVORY  
COAST--WITH A SPECIAL NOTE OF THANKS TO LIBERIA AS HOST  
AND PATIENT EXPONENT OF REGIONAL HARMONY OVER THE YEARS.  
THE EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT THE PRESIDENT SEND MESSAGES  
OF CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SIX NATIONS INVOLVED.

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2. TO THE HEADS OF STATE OF GUINEA, IVORY COAST AND  
SENEGAL IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE PRESIDENT'S  
MESSAGE FOLLOW THIS GENERAL LINE: "PLEASE ACCEPT  
MY WARM CONGRATULATIONS FOR THE STATESMANSHIP  
WHICH YOU DISPLAYED IN CONTRIBUTING TO THE SUCCESS  
OF THE HEADS OF STATE MEETING MARCH 18-19 IN

MONROVIA. IN ONE REGION OF AFRICA, YOU HAVE GIVEN AN EXAMPLE OF WISE LEADERSHIP WHICH--IF EMULATED WORLD-WIDE--COULD HELP TO BRING PEACE AND A BETTER LIFE TO ALL AND I WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS IN THE PROMOTION OF COOPERATION AMONG THE STATES AND PEOPLES OF WEST AFRICA."

3. FOR PRESIDENT TOLBERT, WE RECOMMEND A MESSAGE ALONG THESE LINES: "PLEASE ACCEPT MY WARM CONGRATULATIONS FOR THE ROLE YOU HAVE PLAYED IN BRINGING ABOUT THE MEETING OF THE HEADS OF STATE OF IVORY COAST, GUINEA AND SENEGAL IN MONROVIA MARCH 18-19. IT WAS APPROPRIATE THAT LIBERIA, OLDEST REPUBLIC SOUTH OF THE SAHARA AND AN INDEFATIGABLE PROPONENT OF HARMONIOUS COOPERATION AMONG ALL NATIONS WHATEVER THEIR POLITICAL PERSUASION, SHOULD BE THE SITE OF THIS HISTORIC MEETING. I AM SENDING A MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS TO THEIR EXCELLENCIES HOUPHOUET BOIGNY, PRESIDENT OF THE IVORY COAST; DAWDA KAIRABA JAWARA, PRESIDENT OF THE GAMBIA, AHMED SEKOU TOURE, PRESIDENT OF GUINEA; AND TO LEOPOLD SEDAR SENGHOR, PRESIDENT OF SENEGAL, FOR THE WISE STATESMANSHIP THEY HAVE DISPLAYED IN FURTHERING THIS SUMMIT MEETING. ALSO, I AM SENDING MESSAGES TO GENERAL GNASSINGBE EYADEMA, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TOGO; AND TO ALHAJI SIR DAWDA KAIRABA JAWARA, CONFIDENTIAL

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PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE GAMBIA, FOR THE PART THEY HAVE PLAYED IN THIS RECONCILIATION. THE SUMMIT WAS A COLLECTIVE EFFORT OF STATESMEN WITH A CLEAR PERCEPTION OF THE TRUE INTERESTS OF THEIR PEOPLES AND PROVIDES A MODEL FOR A WORLD STILL STRUGGLING TO FREE ITSELF FROM PURPOSELESS AND DESTRUCTIVE HOSTILITIES."

4. FOR TOGO AND THE GAMBIA, WE RECOMMEND A MESSAGE WHICH CONGRATULATES EYADEMA AND JAWARA FOR CONTRIBUTING TO THE SUCCESS OF THE SUMMIT AND AGREES WITH THE SENTIMENT EXPRESSED BY THESE TWO PRESIDENTS IN THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF MARCH 19, 1978, THAT THE MEETING CONSTITUTES "A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION OF THE PROGRESS OF THE WEST AFRICAN SUB-REGION AND OF THE O.A.U. AS WELL AS AN IMPORTANT FACTOR FOR THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE BASES OF ACTIONS OF ECOWAS."

5. APPROPRIATE EMBASSIES MAY WISH TO COMMENT ON ABOVE SUGGESTIONS AS THEY RELATE TO THEIR CLIENTS. CARTER

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